



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BORDENTOWN

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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

Welcome back!! It will be wonderful to see everybody back from their vacations and summer activities! The year is shaping up to be an exciting one, and it starts off with a very active September worship calendar.

Worship on September 4 is still at 9:30 and in the air-conditioned Play and Learn “chapel”, but after that, we’re back in the sanctuary at 10:30 on Sundays.

Our September 11 service will be one of remembrance, acknowledging the 10th anniversary of the fall of the Twin Towers, 9/11/01. We’re setting Rally Day back a week in order to honor this anniversary, so there will be no 9:15 program that day. We may ask you to bring a single flower, a stone, a photo, or some other symbol that day — watch the bulletin and e-blasts for specifics. Also, if you have lost a loved one from 9/11 or from the rescue work that was done in the weeks that followed, please let the office know so that we can include those names in our worship service, along with prayers and the special music that is being planned.

Then — September 18 — RALLY DAY! We will gather families with children in the sanctuary at 9:15 to complete the registration process. (I hope to have online registration available shortly after September 1 at bordentownpresbyterian.org.) If you aren’t involved in registering your own child, I’m sure Elke McAteer could use a little hands-on help with that day’s activities – please give her a call if you can help!

In worship that day, we’ll each be given a name-tag to wear. We have welcomed 4 new families into our congregation in the past year, and we have several regular visitors. So, without an updated photo directory, this is one way to try to get acquainted. Wear it for the new folk . . . and they’ll do the same for you!

Regular church school classes for all ages begin September 25. Adults (and interested senior highs) will meet in Julien House at 9:15; Children from pre-K through grade 7 will meet in the sanctuary for a plenary gathering at 9:15. (As of this writing, we still need a teaching team for grades 1 and 2.) Then, in worship, we’ll be welcoming a new toddler into our church family with the baptism of Lily Grace O’Malley. What a wonderful morning!

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Cyd Conklin; Lynn Flickinger; Kim Genus; Virginia Lindh; Travis Maiuro; Vida Morris; Ruth Newton; Ed O'Malley; Cathryn Pizzaro, Barbara Kimball's niece; Robert Potts; Judy Remington and her family; Carla Smith; Paul Sootkoos and his family; Richard Sullivan; Dennis Yorsak; Barbara Wasylyk.



WHO'S IN CHARGE FOR SEPTEMBER

Minister — Rev. Robin Lostetter

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between 10 am & 10 pm
rlostetter@bordentownpresbyterian.org

Director of Music — Gwendolyn Huber

Accompanists — Debbie Hill,
Lynn Flickinger, Tina Vilic

Secretary — SaraLee Pindar

office@bordentownpresbyterian.org
SaraLee's Office Hours: W, Th, Fri 9-1

Deacon of the Month —

Amy Dallas, 259-5498

Worship Co-Leaders: to be announced

*To volunteer as a Worship Co-Leader
call Kathie Ackerman, 298-0661*

Fellowship Hour:

9/25—Volunteer needed
*To volunteer for Fellowship Hour,
call Kathie Ackerman, 298-0661*

Communion Servers:

Guy Tassi; Marlene Lyszczak; m
Mae Hamilton

Extended Child Care:

9/25—Willing disciple needed
*To volunteer for Extended Child Care,
Call Elke McAteer, 324-0271*

Anniversary

9/06	Brian & Alexandra Clemens Barbara & Thomas Kimball
9/13	Michael & Kim Kelly
9/17	Blake & Christine Bolinger
9/19	Dan & Debra DiLeo Ted & Linda Miller
9/21	Elke & Mark McAteer
9/23	Duane & Megan Arnold
9/30	Robert & Nina Horton



Birthday

9/02	Matthew VanPelt
9/03	Bobbi Maiuro
9/04	Aidan Konek Nick Venezia
9/05	Patricia Andrus Mary Maleski
9/08	Rich Marchetti
9/10	Kerri Pell
9/14	Linda Applegate Josh Pell
9/15	Dylan Robbins
9/17	Nancy Rodman
9/18	Kara Kliment Cole Marchetti
9/19	Linda Hamilton
9/20	Ethan Murray
9/22	Greg Shaw
9/23	Edith Van Arsdale
9/24	James Murray
9/25	Brian Clemens Gordon Potts
9/27	Ted Miller
9/28	Virginia Bonnell Fiona Loschiavo

MISSION IN ACTION!

Our next Bread of Life Mission Meals: Sunday, September 25, 2011 (immediately following worship)
Sunday, October 30, 2011 (immediately following worship).

The Mission Team continues to deliver 100 meals even during these sweltering summer months. It's clear that our friends at the hotels are still very much in need. The meals have consisted of sandwiches, water, juice, fruit, baby carrots, side dish, chips and cookies, and hard boiled eggs. Colleen has so generously gathered magazines, books and small toys and games for the children for each delivery. They are so grateful for our generosity during these difficult times and often ask us to say a big "Thanks" to the congregation.

If you want to see what we do and even lend a hand, our church handles meals during the last weekend of each month. Come join us for some fun and fellowship as we share our gifts with those in need.

Next Grocery Bag Mission due date: Week of September 18-24, deliver items to the First Baptist Church in Bordentown. Our church provides 50 microwaveable meals for the homeless each month. Our donation is combined with donations from other churches to provide 20-30 grocery bags to homeless families living in local area motels. Some examples are pop-top soup cans, Chef-Boyardee pasta meals, or cans of stew. Donna Potts has left a pot in the back of the church with soup can labels for your reference. If you can donate some items for this monthly collection, please place them in this pot.

Ready to distribute Mission Meals:

The Mission Team has been making up paper bags containing non-perishable food that can be stored and ready to be distributed. The bags consist of bottles of water, juice, cereal, soups, microwaveable meals, fruit cups, puddings and anything else that stores well and doesn't need refrigeration. Please help us continue this important mission in our church by making up a bag now and then that can be stored at the church. Give your donated bag to anyone on the Mission Team and we will put it in storage.

Grace and Peace to all!

The Mission Team

Anne Reilly, Karen Chamberlin, Donna Potts, Bobbi Maiuro, Patty Korsak, Nancy Foster, Colleen Swiderski

NEXT DEACONS MEETING:

Tuesday, September 6, 2011; 7:00 pm in the Julien House

The Deacons will be meeting to discuss the next Senior luncheon and upcoming collections for the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday Season. Look for updates in the church bulletin!

Deacon on call....	August -	Melonie Newton
	September -	Amy Dallas
	October -	Karen Chamberlin
	November -	Bobbi Maiuro
	December -	Nancy Grim

Your Deacons,

Nancy Grim, Melonie Newton, Karen Chamberlin, Greg Hoch, Amy Dallas, Bobbi Maiuro, Barbara Kimball, Kerri Pell

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I have been watching with interest the buckets being filled with cleaning supplies this summer. I even climbed inside one of the buckets that was filled almost to the brim! Luckily I scrambled out before the lid was taped on tight and the bucket was shipped to a large warehouse in Windsor, Maryland.

Heart to Heart buckets are just one of several kinds of kits that are assembled by volunteers and sent off to Church World Service to be distributed to people in need around the world. Our congregation has assembled baby care kits in addition to the emergency clean-up buckets.

Two buckets have been shipped this summer and the third one is almost ready. They will be carefully checked and then will be sent to a community in the United States where there has been flooding or a tornado, or perhaps overseas to a community hit by flooding, hurricane or earthquake.

Church World Service, now 65 years old, is a cooperative ministry of 37 Christian communions, including the Presbyterian Church (USA). The CROP Walk is another project of CWS in which we participate.

Thank you all!

The Church Mouse

Choir rehearsals will start on Thursday September 15, 7-8:10

Handbell rehearsals will begin Thursday October 6 at 8:15

Adult Christmas Choir will begin Thursday October 27

Children's Christmas Choir and Chimes will begin Sunday, Nov. 6 at 8:55 am.

All are welcome!

Contact Wendy for more information;
e-mail giduly@juno.com phone 215-582-5679



**WE ARE INVITED TO BORDENTOWN'S 9/11 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE
SEPTEMBER 11, 2011 AT 5:00 PM HOSTED BY
CHRIST CHURCH PARISH, 130 PRINCE STREET**

A decade ago, our world changed forever. The attacks of September 11, 2001 left our nation shaken and in grief. Though our resolve is true, our grief remains.

Join us at 5pm on September 11, 2011, for a service of Evening Prayer with the reading of the names of those lost on the day of the attacks. Come pray for those killed in the attacks, the living victims, their families and friends, and for those both at home and abroad who guard our nation against further attacks.

Keeping Our Brains Active — Educational Opportunities for Adults



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Monday, September 12** – Women's Bible Study resumes at 7:00 p.m., Julian House
- Wednesday, September 21** – Book Club resumes at 7:30 p.m., Barnes & Noble's in Hamilton Marketplace, to choose the next few selections.
- Sunday, September 25** – Adult Sunday School Class begins at 9:15 a.m., Julian House

Women's Bible Study:

All women of the church, members and friends alike, are invited to participate in this always interesting and challenging Bible study group. This fall we begin with *Confessing the Beatitudes*, in which we will look at these famous teachings of Jesus in their literary, historical, and cultural context as we seek to hear them as they might have been heard by the people Jesus spoke to.

Adult Sunday School Class:

In the 2011-12 class year we'll welcome a guest speaker, Jerry Pindar, on **October 16 and 23**. Jerry will speak on the archeological evidence for Jesus' preaching and teaching environment. In other class sessions we'll study themes that run through the Bible, the seven deadly sins, and other intriguing topics. We'll also use the Advent and Lenten studies provided by The Thoughtful Christian curriculum. The class welcomes all adults.

Book Club:

Not for women only, the Book Club meets monthly to discuss a variety of books, usually but not exclusively, and always interesting. Among the selections in 2010-11 were *The Gathering*, *The Rest of Her Life*, *The Cailiffs of Baghdad Georgia*, *Breakfast with Buddha*, *Putting Away Childish Things*, and *Private Life*. Watch the Sunday bulletin for upcoming selections.



*I'm happy to announce...
the most important artist's reception
of my photographic career.*

Date: Sunday October 2, 2011
Time: 1 to 3 pm
Place: The Gourgaud Gallery in Cranbury, NJ's Town Hall
23A North Main Street

The show contains many new, award-winning pieces. If you would like to come and need directions, please email photosbypindar@comcast.net or call me at 609-499-0930.

SaraLee

You're invited to
Equipping the Saints

Strengthening God's People for Ministry

**Pastors, Elders, Deacons, Volunteers, Teachers, Treasurers,
 Clerks, Choir Directors, and more ...**

Date: Saturday, October 1, 2011
Time: 8:30 am to 2:00 pm
Location: The Presbyterian Church of Jamesburg
 175 Gatzmer Avenue
 Jamesburg, NJ 08831
Cost: \$10 in advance by September 15, 2011

*Seating is Limited
 Registration is Required and Fee is Non-Refundable*

WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:

**Mission
 Elder Training
 Stewardship
 Church Treasurer's Conversation
 Caring Ministry
 Calling New Disciples of Jesus Christ
 Keeping Churches Safe for Everyone
 How to Earn Cash for Your Church
 "Feasting on the Word" Curriculum Overview
 Worship and Music for Today**

Special Feature: Mini Bookstore from the Thoughtful Christian

Registration brochures will be available by August 1st

For more information, contact

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July 2011 Financial Update

July and August are traditionally big vacation months, resulting in a fall off in Church attendance and offerings and this held true for the month of July. There were five Sundays in July with regular offerings budgeted at \$12,715 for the month.

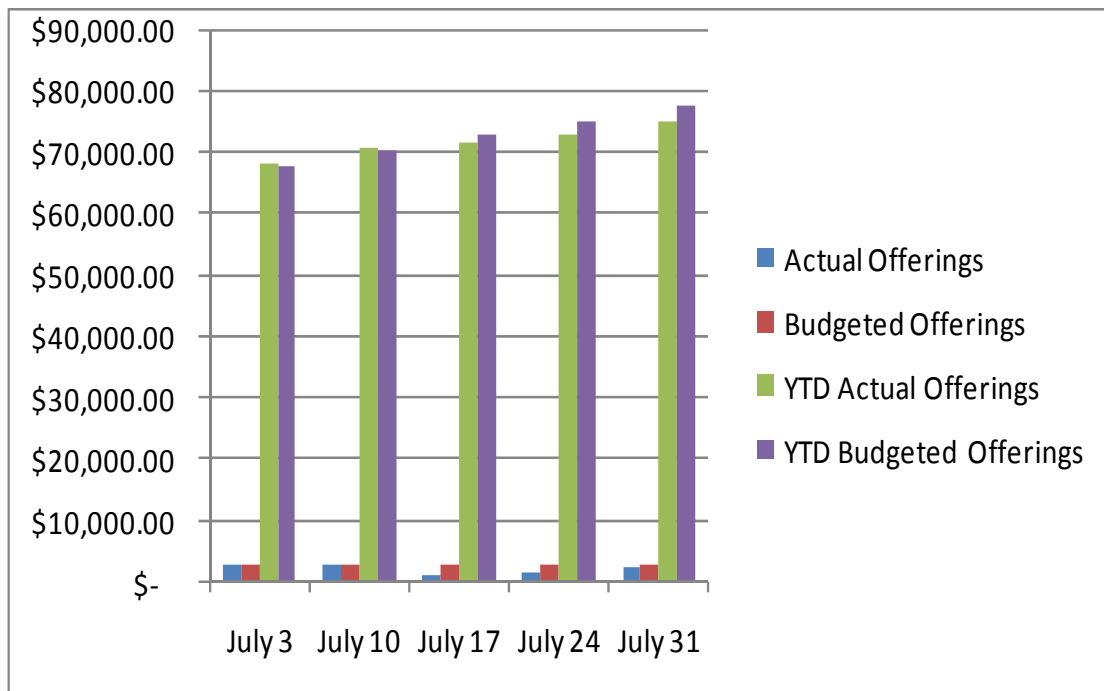
Actual offerings for July totaled \$9,472 for a monthly deficit of \$3,243. YTD, actual offerings totaled \$75,004 compared to Budgeted offerings of \$77,749, for an YTD deficit of \$2,745.

Expenses for the first six months of this year were down \$4,550 compared to 2010 (\$82,131 in 2011 compared to \$86,681 in 2010).

2011 total income (including Fund Raisers and Use Donations) was up \$2,573 (\$70,940 in 2011 compared to \$68,367 in 2010) due to the success of the booth at the Street Fair and the well attended Strawberry Festival.

Guy Tassi
Finance Committee

JULY 2011 ACTUAL OFFERINGS COMPARED TO BUDGETED OFFERINGS						
	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	Month Totals
Actual Offerings	\$ 2,599.00	\$ 2,507.00	\$ 911.00	\$ 1,230.00	\$ 2,225.00	\$ 9,472.00
Budgeted Offerings	\$ 2,543.00	\$ 2,543.00	\$ 2,543.00	\$ 2,543.00	\$ 2,543.00	\$ 12,715.00
YTD Actual Offerings	\$ 68,131.00	\$ 70,638.00	\$ 71,549.00	\$ 72,779.00	\$ 75,004.00	
YTD Budgeted Offerings	\$ 67,577.00	\$ 70,120.00	\$ 72,663.00	\$ 75,206.00	\$ 77,749.00	



September 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			31 Play & Learn Open House	1 Play & Learn Open House	2	3
4 9:30 Communion In Play & Learn	5 Labor Day 7:30 Women's AA	6 7 pm Deacons	7 6:30 Group	8 7 pm AA	9	10
11 10:30—9/11 Anniversary Worship in the Sanctuary	12 Play & Learn resumes 7 pm Women's Bible Study 7:30 Women's AA	13 7 pm Session	14 Newsletter Deadline 6:30 Group	15 8 am Men's Breakfast 7 pm AA 7 pm Choir	16	17
18 9:15  6 pm Youth Group	19 7:30 Women's AA	20	21 6:30 Group 7:30 pm Book Club	22 7 pm AA 7 pm Choir	23	24
25 9:15—1st Church School Classes Mission Meal	26 7 pm Women's Bible Study 7:30 Women's AA	27 7 pm Presbytery Mtg. Freehold 7:30 Good Neighbor Guild	28 6:30 Group	29 7 pm AA 7 pm Choir 8:15 Handbells	30	1 9 to 1 Equipping the Saints— Jamesburg

SUNDAY MORNINGS BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 11: Sunday School 9:15; Worship 10:30

From the Pastor — continued

The next several months will include lots of ways for you to work side-by-side with your sisters and brothers “of the pew”, and opportunities for spiritual growth, worship, and recreation! Our “Need to Feed” will continue to be met with our various hunger ministries, and we have some plans for a related mission theme for our children, possibly culminating in a youth mission trip next summer. Adult classes will include a study of the Beatitudes (the Monday group), a guest on Sunday mornings (Jerry Pindar!), and the Book Group (actively looking for their next exciting read). Our coffeehouses will resume in October, and we hope to have some family-friendly activity on every second Friday of the month, so that you can plan on something fun to do at church on 2nd Fridays. In December, that will be a return of the American Boy Choir for a Christmas concert! In January and April, we’ll be open to ideas for a movie night or game night – your suggestions are welcome!

I look forward to gathering with you, as part of God’s beloved household, in the days to come!

Shalom,
Pastor Robin



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